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Dear Mr. Morisy:

This is a final response to your 4 September 2013 Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request, received in the office of the Information and Privacy Coordinator on 9 September 2013, for what we interpreted to be a copy of any objections to agency data gathering practices received by this agency from telecommunications and web service providers found within the agency's legal affairs offices and any department that regularly act as liaisons with telecommunications and service provider companies.

We cannot accept your FOIA request in its current form because it would require the Agency to perform an unreasonably burdensome search. The FOIA requires requesters to "reasonably describe" the information they seek so that professional employees familiar with the subject matter can locate responsive information with a reasonable amount of effort. Commonly this equates to a requirement that the documents must be locatable through the indexing of our various systems. Extremely broad or vague requests or requests requiring research do not satisfy this requirement.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Michele Meeks".

Michele Meeks  
Information and Privacy Coordinator